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This book provides beginning Internet users with basic information about what's out there, how to find it, and what to do with it when you find it. Instructions are provided on connecting to the Internet and using it effectively and appropriately. Aspects of Internet communication are reviewed, including e-mail, netiquette, mailing lists, and Usenet newsgroups. Discussion includes commentary on avoiding or dealing with hazards associated with the medium; lists of resources on specific topics are also included. Alfter an overview of the World Wide Web, the book discusses the details of searching for specific information. Examples of real-life searches illustrate search results, along with explanations of which search strategies work and why. Operating instructions for navigating the information highway via FTP, Gopher, and telnet are provided. Service providers are described and criteria for choosing one are suggested. (Author/AEF)

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